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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMR, VS

SUBJECT: SECURITY AT TAN SON NHUT AIRPORT

1. WE HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED BY MR. HEALEY OF FLYING TIGERS IN LOS ANGELES THAT HE HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION WHICH HE SAYS CAME FROM THE MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND AT SCOTT AFB THAT THE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT AT TAN SON NHUT AIRPORT WAS SO PRECARIOUS THAT HE HAD INSTRUCTED HIS REPRESENTATIVE HERE TO PULL OUT THE FLYING TIGERS OPERATION.

2. IN A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE DCM AND MR. HEALEY LATTER WAS ASSURED THAT THIS WAS TOTALLY UNTRUE, THAT SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL AS WELL AS CHARTERED AIRCRAFT OPERATE NORMALLY IN AND OUT OF TAN SON NHUT, THAT PANAM WAS ABOUT TO INCREASE THEIR SCHEDULED FLIGHTS AND THAT THERE IS NO SECURITY PROBLEM AT TAN SON NHUT.

3. WHILE WE BELIEVE THIS CONVERSATION HAS CORRECTED MR. HEALEY'S FALSE IMPRESSIONS WE REQUEST IMMEDIATE ACTION ON RECEIPT TO CORRECT THIS ENTIRELY FALSE INFORMATION WHICH HE HAS APPARENTLY RECEIVED FROM MAC. ALL IT TAKES UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES HERE IS SOMETHING OF THIS KIND TO SET OFF A
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4. REQUEST FLASH RESPONSE OF ACTION TAKEN.
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